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Amendments

In the Drawings

Please replace the sheets carrying Figures 1-14 of the original Figures as filed with the Replacement Sheets containing Figures 1-12 provided herewith. Figures 1-9 have been resized and provided on sheets 1-3 instead of on sheets 1-9 as originally filed. Figures 10-12 are now provided on new sheets 4-6 respectively instead of as originally filed on sheets 10-12 respectively.

Please delete Figures 11A, 12A, 13 and 14.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims to read as set out in Schedule A hereto.

In the Disclosure

Please amend the paragraphs in the disclosure to read as set out in Schedule B hereto.

The changes are being made in order to clarify the figures and allow removal of the informal Figures 11A, 12A, 13 and 14 from the specification. The numbers of elements found on Figures 11A, 12A, 13 and 14 as well as annotations thereon have been transferred to Figures 1-12 as originally intended, as well as other changes as indicated.

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Remarks on Amendments

Figures 11A, 12A, 13 and 14 have been deleted on the basis that the information contained thereon is transferred to Figures 10-12, subject to the changes below. The Applicant reserves the right to reinsert these deleted figures in the application.

Figures 10-12 have also been numbered as to their elements such that they are consistent with the description of the Preferred Embodiment and consistent with Figures 11A, 12A, 13 and 14.

In Figure 12, the range of angles for the taper on the truncated conic mid-section has been clarified as being 0.6 degrees to 1.3 degrees. This is the conic half angle of the mid-section. Additionally, the proportions 3x:x from Figure 12A have been transferred to Figure 12.

The reference to the radius R in Figure 12A being equal or greater than 0.025 inches has been transferred to the disclosure.

Both Figures 12A and 14 as originally filed may appear to show the presence of a taper not only in the core 12 but also in the jacket 11. This is an artist's artifact. Without excluding the possibility that the jacket 11 has a taper, Figure 11 represents the preferred embodiment.

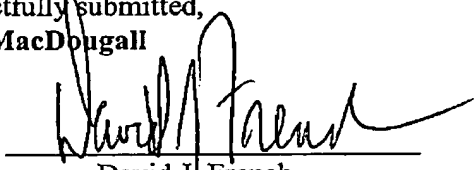
In Figures 10 and 11 the ogival front end 15 has been labelled as referenced in para [0077] and Figure 11A.

In Figure 11, the gap 11 has been labelled as referenced in para [0078]. Also the rearwardly tapering end section 13 frusto conical mid-section 14 and cylindrical section 16 have been labelled as referenced in paras [0080] and shown in Figure 12A.

This Voluntary Amendment accompanies an election of species filed separately but along with this Amendment in response to the Examiner's Office Action of June 23, 2005. That election of species will assume that these present amendments are being entered. Please charge \$150. (US) or such other amount as required for claims fees to Deposit Account 503035. Please deduct and credit any fee deficiencies and over payments from/to our Deposit Account 503035.

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